

sPHENIX tracking simulations status and plan

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Not crazy for a 1st pass, but it is time to move on to more realism

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Then we will be able to carry out basic performance evaluations for the tracker using this new baseline model